

check and I think it's wrong. I think that...I can't imagine some of the people who have spoken out many times for accountability coming in and supporting this type of legislation. I spoke to my Farm Bureau friends. They've screamed and shouted for years about requiring accountability of the checkoff funds and they support the bill. I suppose that ought to quiet my concerns but it doesn't, it really only heightens my concerns. And I know that there are those that say, well, it's out of our hands. It does not need to be out of our hands. It ought to be controlled by this Legislature and someone...Senator Rogers said it's not a lot of money. I would challenge anyone, one of these days some entrepreneur, some urban legislator is going to suggest that we pay \$4 per head personal tax on cattle or head tax on cattle and that would not be a small amount of money. Four dollars a head times the number of cattle we have would bring in 30, 40 million dollars, be a big boost to the budget. If that happened, we would hear screaming and wailing and gnashing of teeth. But, in this case, we turn that amount of money over and we don't even look back. I hope we don't live to regret it, at least not immediately, but I'm afraid we will. I oppose the bill.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Any further discussion on the advancement of the bill? Seeing none, you've heard the motion to advance. All those in favor of advancement vote aye...say aye. Okay, we do have a request for a machine vote. We will have a machine vote. All those in favor of advancement vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 583.

SPEAKER BAACK: LB 583 is advanced. We are now going to pick...just pick up a couple of bills that are clean bills that we have no amendments on or just the E & R amendments on Select File. We'll go to LB 528.

CLERK: LB 528, Senator, I have E & R amendments pending.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Mr. Speaker, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 528.